



ODE McKinney-Vento Office Hours

Frequently Asked Questions

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Question	Answer
<p>We struggle a bit to set up transportation for our MKV eligible Head Start students at our school district (start and end time, driver and van availability). Do you anticipate that Head Start will be able to provide transportation again at some point?</p>	<p>I have approved reimbursing a family, or trusted family friend with documentation, for mileage reimbursement...but it is on a case-by-case basis. This is if no other viable options are available.</p> <p>Head Start programs are not required to provide transportation services. However, when they do provide those services, they must comply with key regulations. Reach out to your Early learning hub for information.</p> <p>https://www.oregon.gov/delc/programs/Pages/hubs.aspx</p>
<p>Is childcare guaranteed? Are they connected to a provider or are they reimbursed? We are in a rural community with an extreme lack of childcare. I would hate to make a promise to a family that I can't deliver. Just want to understand this a little better.</p>	<p>There are several options for childcare resources. Baby Promise, Preschool Promise, Oregon Prenatal-Kindergarten (OPK), and Early Head Start are “guaranteed” in that if a family applies and is eligible, they will be enrolled and there will be a slot for the child. Employee Related Daycare (ERDC) is a reimbursement program, so in that case a family would apply for the subsidy and then be reimbursed for the care that they receive, but they would need to find that care. More information about which providers accept ERDC can be found by reaching out to the local Child Care Resource and Referral Agency.</p>

This year I have 2 teenagers who self referred but at the beginning of the year they were 18.	As long as the student(s) attends a publicly funded school the student can be determined to be McKinney-Vento eligible, e.g. students who attend alternative schools can be over 18 and also McKinney-Vento eligible if they attend a public school.
Does anyone have a procedure for how they provide cell phones for students?	This link highlights Lawton Public Schools in Oklahoma, and other district ideas to creatively spend ARP-HCY funds. There is no standard way to develop procedures, it is up to the liaison and their staff and leadership. The state coordinator is a resource to provide guidance and aid in development.
What is the role of a liaison in the intersection of supports for students we provide and disciplinary actions put on students due to homelessness?	The liaison should be part of disciplinary decisions that impact McKinney-Vento youth. The liaison usually can speak to non-academic variables that may be impacting the student's behavior and missing class and homework.
Is Mckinney Vento considered public charge?	I am not sure what is meant by a public charge. The McKinney-Vento Grant is a competitive Federal Grant. The awarded grantee staff, program and fiscal/business staff, should collaborate to ensure the appropriate object codes are used, e.g. transportation, professional development, etc.
Can ARP funds and/or Title 1-A set aside dollars pay for an after school program that is not connected to the school?	ARP funds are more flexible than Title I-A set aside funds. Title I-A set aside funds are used in line with allowable uses of McKinney-Vento funds. Title I-A set aside funds can be used for fees to create access and participation in school activities, clubs, and sports. ARP funds can be used in these ways.

Our district is interested in having a second MKV coordinator to service our secondary schools. What is required (training, etc...to add a coordinator?

Here is a resource that outlines the responsibilities of the [McKinney-Vento Liaison](#) and you can use this and your job description as an example and develop it from there.